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Abstract

The present invention discloses a method and apparatus for cross-connecting high-speed telecommunications signals at a cross-connect apparatus. The cross-connect apparatus can transmit the telecommunications signals from an input interface card to a cross-connect card, and from the cross-connect card to an output interface card without any synchronization information. Synchronization of the signals is accomplished with circuitry contained on the interface cards and the cross-connect card. The cross-connect apparatus also includes a control unit for managing the control and timing of the apparatus.

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